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A golf ball retrieval tool comprising an elongate handle (1) which carries at one end a so-called cage (20) which has at its rear end that faces towards the handle (1) a first section (21) and at a part distal from said handle a second section (22) which connects with said first section (21), wherein in a first cage orientation of the tool the first cage section has an opening edge (21) which, in said first tool orientation, is generally open downwards and rearwards towards the handle and which is able to freely receive a golf ball, wherein a transit opening (32) connects the first section (21) with the second section (22), wherein the second section includes a downwardly open opening (33) which forms a ball seating, wherein, with the tool in said first cage orientation, the handle extends obliquely downwards beneath the horizontal plane of the cage (22), and wherein the transit opening (32) between said first and said second sections forms a threshold (35) over which the ball must run. The cage comprises a roof structure which in response to pressing the cage generally vertically against a ball, which as a result is received in the first section, when the tool is in said first cage orientation, generates on the ball a wedging action such as to drive the ball through the transit opening (32) and into the second section (22) where the ball (3) can be received in the ball seating (33).